

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for April 2007

Region 11

June 2007

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES APRIL 2007 PRELIMINARY

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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AREA	LABOR FORCE	NUMBER EMPLOYED	NUMBER UNEMPL.	U.R. 4/07(p)	U.R. 3/07	U.R. 4/06
U.S.	151,829,000	145,297,000	6,532,000	4.3%	4.5%	4.5%
INDIANA	3,245,750	3,092,872	152,878	4.7%	5.0%	4.9%
EGR 11*	222,962	213,081	9,881	4.4%	4.6%	4.4%
Evansville MSA**	185,506	176,808	8,698	4.7%	4.9%	4.5%
Dubois	22,178	21,450	728	3.3%	3.7%	3.7%
Gibson	17,508	16,724	784	4.5%	4.4%	4.1%
Henderson Co., KY	23,654	22,420	1,234	5.2%	5.6%	5.3%
Knox	19,399	18,604	795	4.1%	4.2%	4.4%
Perry	9,805	9,309	496	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%
Pike	6,125	5,869	256	4.2%	4.3%	4.0%
Posey	14,021	13,413	608	4.3%	4.4%	4.1%
Spencer	10,428	9,942	486	4.7%	4.8%	5.1%
Vanderburgh	92,632	88,109	4,523	4.9%	5.0%	4.6%
Warrick	30,866	29,661	1,205	3.9%	4.1%	4.0%
Webster Co., KY	6,825	6,481	344	5.0%	5.5%	5.3%
Boonville	3,343	3,149	194	5.8%	6.1%	6.3%
Evansville	60,193	56,862	3,331	5.5%	5.7%	5.2%
Jasper	7,242	7,019	223	3.1%	3.3%	3.7%
Mount Vernon	3,546	3,357	189	5.3%	5.3%	5.1%
Petersburg	1,014	958	56	5.5%	5.8%	6.1%
Princeton	4,187	3,950	237	5.7%	5.4%	5.3%
Rockport	988	922	66	6.7%	8.0%	7.8%
Tell City	3,983	3,764	219	5.5%	5.6%	5.5%
Vincennes	9,054	8,611	443	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%

*EGR 11 includes Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh and Warrick Counties. **Evansville MSA includes Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties in Indiana and Henderson and Webster Counties in Kentucky.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING by COUNTY (High to Low)

RANK – APR 2007	COUNTY	APR 2007 RATE (p)
1	Fayette	7.8%
34	Perry	5.1%
44	Vanderburgh	4.9%
49	Spencer	4.7%
59	Gibson	4.5%
67	Posey	4.3%
72	Pike	4.2%
76	Knox	4.1%
82	Warrick	3.9%
90	Dubois	3.3%
92	Hamilton	3.1%

SURROUNDING STATES APRIL 2007

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Preliminary Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Illinois – 4.7% Indiana – 4.7% Kentucky – 5.1% Michigan – 6.8% Ohio – 5.6%



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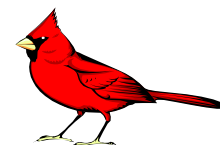
REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported regional and state unemployment rates were little changed or slightly higher in April 2007. Overall, 33 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 13 states registered decreases, and 4 states had no change. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 29 states and the District of Columbia, up in 19 states, and unchanged in 2 states.

Montana again recorded the lowest employment rate at 2.2 percent in April. Michigan reported the highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 7.1 percent.

Unemployment rates were lower in April than a year earlier in 226 of the 369 metropolitan areas, higher in 120 areas, and unchanged in 23 areas. Forty-six metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent while four areas recorded rates of at least 10.0 percent.

Billings, Montana, had the lowest unemployment rate at 1.7 percent. El Centro, California, a heavily agricultural area, registered the highest jobless rate at 16.3 percent.



EVANSVILLE MSA

(Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties in Indiana and Henderson and Webster Counties in Kentucky)

WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

	<u>APR</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>MAR</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>APR</u> <u>2006</u>	CHANGE FROM			
				MAR 2007 TO <u>APR 2007</u>		APR 2006 TO <u>APR 2007</u>	
Total Nonfarm	180,700	179,800	179,600	+900	+0.5%	+1,100	+0.6%
Goods Producing	47,700	47,000	47,700	+700	+1.5%	+0	+0.0%
Mining & Construction	14,000	13,200	13,400	+800	+6.1%	+600	+4.5%
Manufacturing	33,700	33,800	34,300	-100	-0.3%	-600	-1.7%
Durable Goods	19,100	19,100	19,400	+0	+0.0%	-300	-1.5%
Service Providing	133,000	132,800	131,900	+200	+0.2%	+1,100	+0.8%
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	36,400	36,200	36,500	+200	+0.6%	-100	-0.3%
Wholesale Trade	7,800	7,700	7,600	+100	+1.3%	+200	+2.6%
Retail Trade	18,800	18,700	19,100	+100	+0.5%	-300	-1.6%
General Merchandise Stores	3,800	3,900	3,800	-100	-2.6%	+0	+0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, Util.	9,800	9,800	9,800	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Information	2,800	2,900	2,900	-100	-3.4%	-100	-3.4%
Financial Activities	6,200	6,200	6,300	+0	+0.0%	-100	-1.6%
Professional & Business Services	17,500	17,600	17,200	-100	-0.6%	+300	+1.7%
Educational & Health Services	27,800	27,900	27,200	-100	-0.4%	+600	+2.2%
Health Care & Social Assistance	23,300	23,300	22,800	+0	+0.0%	+500	+2.2%
Hospitals	9,100	9,200	9,200	-100	-1.1%	-100	-1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	16,800	16,600	16,400	+200	+1.2%	+400	+2.4%
Food Services & Drinking Places	12,400	12,200	12,700	+200	+1.6%	-300	-2.4%
Other Services	7,600	7,500	7,400	+100	+1.3%	+200	+2.7%
Government	17,900	17,900	18,000	+0	+0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Federal Government	1,400	1,300	1,300	+100	+7.7%	+100	+7.7%
State Government	3,900	3,900	3,700	+0	+0.0%	+200	+5.4%
Local Government	12,600	12,700	13,000	-100	-0.8%	-400	-3.1%
Local Government Education	7,100	7,200	7,400	-100	-1.4%	-300	-4.1%

EVANSVILLE, IN-KY MSA HOURS AND EARNINGS

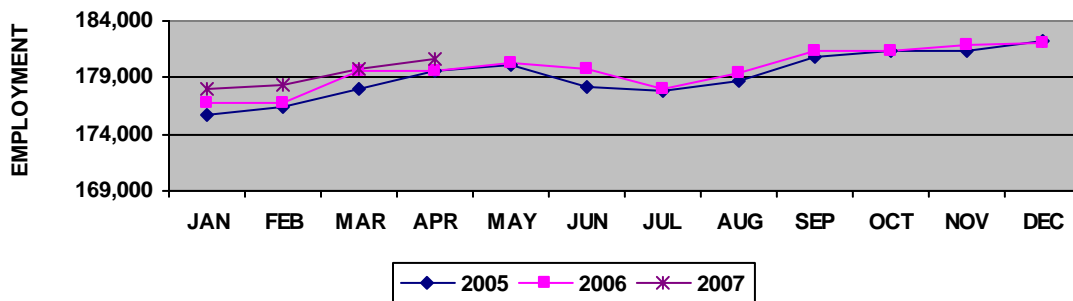
	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	<u>APR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>MAR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>APR.</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>APR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>MAR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>APR.</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>APR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>MAR.</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>APR.</u> <u>2006</u>
Manufacturing	\$861	\$847	\$825	39.5	38.9	39.5	\$21.79	\$21.78	\$20.88
Retail Trade	\$403	\$384	\$360	33.5	32.2	31.1	\$12.02	\$11.94	\$11.58

Notes for both tables: Current month data are preliminary. Data are rounded and may not add to total. Data are based on 2006 benchmark and subject to benchmarking in 2008.

Average earnings are gross and are affected by premium pay for overtime, incentive rates, shift differentials, and changes in basic hourly rates. Figures cover production workers in manufacturing and non-supervisory employees in other industry divisions.

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics Program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EVANSVILLE MSA EMPLOYMENT TRENDS



LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is: <http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/>.

Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) Economic Growth Region 11 1st Quarter 2006 Quick Facts

QWI Quick Facts	EGR 11	Indiana
Total Employment	207,011	2,797,099
Net Job Flows	-2,328	-27,164
Job Creation	9,467	128,108
New Hires	28,433	401,266
Separations	35,471	496,131
Turnover	11.2%	10.2%
Average Monthly Earnings	\$3,010	\$3,218
Average New Hire Earnings	\$1,833	\$2,043

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Local Employment Dynamics (LED), 1st Quarter 2006.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI-U)

Unadjusted percent change to April 2007 from:

	April 06	March 07
U.S. City Average		
All Items	2.6%	.6%
Food & Beverages	3.7%	.2%
Housing	3.4%	.2%
Apparel	-.4%	.3%
Transportation	.6%	2.7%
Medical Care	4.0%	.3%
Recreation	.3%	.2%
Education & Communication	2.2%	.1%
Other Goods & Services	3.7%	.2%
Midwest Region (All Items)*	2.3%	.5%



*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

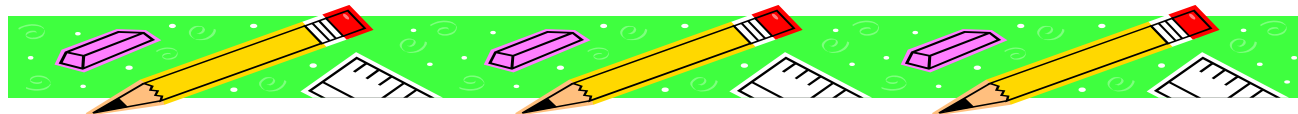
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

ANNUAL COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE



<u>Local Office</u>	<u>April 2007</u>	<u>March 2007</u>	<u>April 2006</u>	<u>Previous Month % Change</u>	<u>Previous Year % Change</u>
<u>INITIAL CLAIMS</u>					
Evansville	1,558	1,507	1,107	3.4%	40.7%
Vincennes	584	529	464	10.4%	25.9%
Indiana	27,956	28,505	24,454	-1.9%	14.3%
<u>TOTAL CLAIMS*</u>					
Evansville	15,250	15,311	10,440	-.4%	46.1%
Vincennes	4,789	5,483	3,696	-12.7%	29.6%
Indiana	288,300	310,135	253,681	-7.0%	13.6%

*Total Claims include both initial and continued unemployment insurance claims.



REGION 11 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development offices in Economic Growth Region 11 (Evansville and Vincennes) received during April 2007. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

SELECTED APRIL 2007 JOB OPENINGS & STARTING WAGES FOR REGION 11

<u>OCCUPATIONAL TITLES</u>	<u>MINIMUM WAGE</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE</u>	<u>MAXIMUM WAGE</u>
Home Health Aides	\$5.15	\$6.79	\$7.75
Waiters & Waitresses	3.86	8.73	12.50
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	8.00	11.47	18.83
Cashiers, General	5.15	6.23	7.50
Truck Drivers, Light-Including Delivery	5.25	8.83	15.00
General Office Clerks	5.15	7.25	12.00
Receptionists/Information Clerks	5.25	7.83	12.33
Registered Nurses (RNs)	13.50	21.82	40.00
Bartenders	5.15	8.48	12.00
Janitors & Cleaners	5.15	6.15	8.65
Secretaries – Other	5.25	9.06	12.92
Administrative Assistants	6.00	11.80	18.29
Bus, Truck, & Diesel Engine Mechanics	8.50	14.01	21.50
Cooks: Short Order	5.15	6.28	10.00
Route Drivers	\$5.25	\$9.93	\$15.00



REGION 11* APPLICANT POOL

April 23, 2007



The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical ranking of the top jobs being sought by applicants.

REGION 11 JOB TITLES	NUMBER OF APPLICANTS
Assemblers	4,367
Production Laborers	3,491
All Other Machine Operators	2,210
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	2,047
All Other Hand Workers	2,005
Hand Packers & Packagers	1,735
General Office Clerks	1,532
Cashiers, General	1,435
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	1,395
Plastic Molding & Plastic Machine Operators	1,395
All Other Metal & Plastic Machine Operators	1,363
Receptionists/Information Clerks	1,302
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	1,258
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	1,248
Production Helpers	1,193
File Clerks	1,137
Administrative Assistants	1,091
Secretaries – Other	1,024
Order Fillers – Wholesale/Retail Sales	1,014
All Other Precision Assemblers	1,014

The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Applicant Pool on the Site Map/Index.



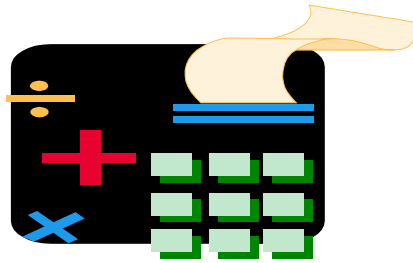
ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 11* WAGE DEMAND

The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between job applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Wage Demand** provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index. *EGR 11 includes Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties.



AREA (4/23/07)	Average Annual Wage Demand	Median Annual Wage Demand	Number of Applicants
EGR 11	\$25,030	\$18,720	11,496
Dubois	\$29,454	\$20,800	459
Gibson	\$21,934	\$20,800	746
Knox	\$17,700	\$16,640	1,607
Perry	\$23,667	\$20,800	249
Pike	\$21,242	\$19,500	255
Posey	\$32,602	\$20,800	576
Spencer	\$24,122	\$20,800	325
Vanderburgh	\$26,553	\$18,720	6,028
Warrick	\$24,376	\$20,800	1,251





*LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS)

The LAUS program provides monthly and annual averages estimates for labor force, employment, unemployment, and the unemployment rate for some 7,200 areas. The areas include states, metropolitan areas, counties, and cities. The process of re-estimating statistics, as more complete data become available, takes place each year. This process is called “benchmarking”. Therefore, please discard all monthly and annual data that have been acquired between 2000 and 2006.



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ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ESTIMATES*

AREA	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
U.S.	4.0%	4.7%	5.8%	6.0%	5.5%	5.1%	4.6%
INDIANA	2.9%	4.2%	5.2%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.0%
EGR 11	3.1%	3.7%	4.4%	4.6%	4.7%	4.9%	4.5%
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Gibson Co.	3.2%	3.9%	4.4%	4.7%	4.7%	4.8%	4.4%
Henderson Co., KY	3.5%	4.7%	5.3%	5.6%	4.7%	5.5%	5.1%
Knox Co.	3.5%	3.7%	4.4%	4.4%	4.7%	5.0%	4.8%
Perry Co.	4.5%	5.2%	5.2%	5.5%	5.5%	5.7%	5.1%
Pike Co.	3.4%	3.8%	5.0%	5.4%	5.4%	5.5%	4.5%
Posey Co.	2.9%	3.4%	4.4%	4.4%	4.5%	4.8%	4.3%
Spencer Co.	3.4%	4.4%	4.7%	5.2%	5.3%	5.6%	4.9%
Vanderburgh Co.	3.1%	3.8%	4.5%	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%	4.7%
Warrick Co.	3.2%	3.4%	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%	4.6%	4.2%
Webster Co., KY	4.6%	4.6%	5.1%	6.7%	4.4%	5.1%	5.1%
Evansville City	3.8%	4.6%	5.5%	5.8%	5.9%	5.8%	5.3%
Vincennes City	5.0%	5.2%	6.2%	6.3%	6.6%	5.7%	5.5%

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